



How do you know you're ready for a campaign?

Where do you start?

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ABOUT CCS



CCS Fundraising, founded in 1947, is a strategic consulting firm that partners with nonprofits for transformational change. Experts in campaign and development strategy, CCS plans and implements fundraising initiatives that help organizations make a bigger impact-locally, nationally, and globally.

75+ Years

Celebrating 75 years in 2022, we are the most widely recommended firm in the field.

Local Perspective

the Pacific Northwest and across the U.S. We have development plans to support billions in fundraising goals.

700 Partnerships **Annually**

We have worked closely with nearly 40% of the 100 best states, and within 350+ cities.

Campaign Expertise

In 2022, CCS helped to plan and manage comprehensive campaigns while directly managing more than \$15 billion in cumulative goals each year.

Deep Experience

CCS has unparalleled experience working with nonprofit organizations to help plan and lead significant fundraising initiatives. We understand how fundraising differs across communities and constituencies.

90% Repeat or Referrals

Ninety percent of our business comes from repeat business or referrals.

500+ Professional Staff

Our accomplished, highly-motivated staff embody results-driven success, collaborative partnership, and an entrepreneurial growth mindset.

ABOUT SAN DIEGO MUSEUM OF ART

1926 Established

450,000+ Visitors annually

32,000+ Objects in permanent collection

460+ Volunteers (not including docents)



AGENDA

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THE SAN DIEGO
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AUDIENCE POLL QUESTION

Is your organization currently conducting a campaign effort?

- A. Yes, we are launching or in the middle of a campaign
- B. No, but we are considering a campaign
- C. No



ELEMENTS OF A SUCCESSFUL CAMPAIGN

TYPES OF CAMPAIGNS

COMPREHENSIVE

- Counts all gifts and pledges
- Inspirational case to expand and maintain mission
- Broad
- Seek one, best, multi-year commitment from each donor that includes annual giving
- Longer (3 5 years or more)
- Donors typically solicited one time

STANDALONE

- Counts only capital (as an example) pledges
- Extraordinary one-time investment in a capital project or program
- Targeted
- Seeks multi-year campaign commitments above and beyond annual giving
- Faster (18 months 2.5 years)

ARC OF A SUCCESSFUL CAMPAIGN

STRATEGIC PLANNING

PLANNING & **FEASIBILITY** STUDY

CAMPAIGN PLANNING AND ACTIVATION

LEADERSHIUP AND MAJOR **GIFTS**

PUBLIC PHASE

The study and campaign planning stages consist of several key activities:



Draft and test a suite of materials and messaging that excites and draws in a philanthropic audience.



Screen and segment the donor base to prioritize activity and identify new prospects.

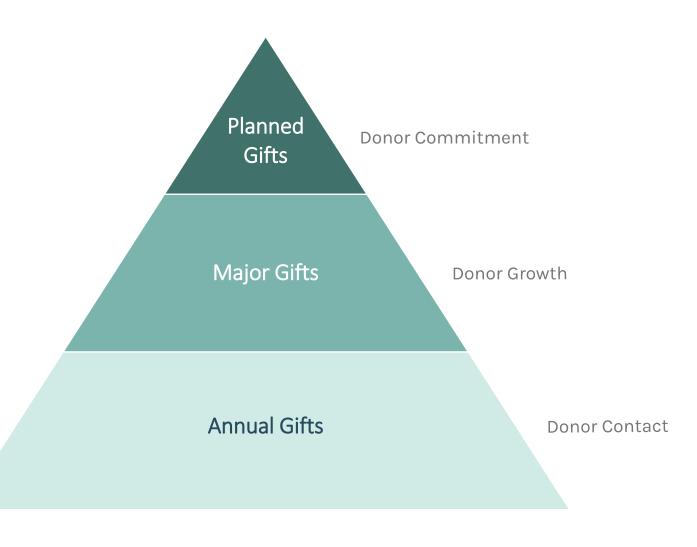


Instill ownership and knowledge in a cadre of donors and leaders who will likely provide the bedrock support to launch the campaign.

BALANCED FUNDRAISING MODEL

A balanced philanthropy program and prospect pipeline should meet the fundraising needs of your organization. 10% – 30% of secured funds should come from renewable gifts, or the Annual Fund. 70% - 90% should come from deferred and major gifts.

Where appropriate, donors should be moved up the pyramid throughout their relationship with your organization to deepen their engagement and increase their giving.



FUNDRAISING OBJECTIVES



- Bring new donors to your donor base or re-acquire lapsed donors
- Generally more expensive than renewal or upgrading

- Secure gifts from existing donors
- Helps to stabilize your donor base

- Increase gift amounts from existing donors
- Moves donors through the donor lifecycle



CAMPAIGN PILLARS

Planning for a successful campaign effort requires careful preparation of the following key elements



CASE

- 1. Communicate a donor-centric Case for Support anchored by strategic fundraising priorities
- 2. Position fundraising as a targeted investment opportunity



LEADERS

- 1. Deepen Board engagement and
- 2. Identify member leaders to be fundraising ambassadors



PROSPECTS

- 1. Identify prospects with philanthropic capacity and alignment to case priorities
- 2. Leverage established connections to develop engagement strategies



PLAN

- 1. Create and implement a timeline with activity benchmarks
- 2. Develop policies and procedures

ELEMENTS OF A COMPELLING CASE

WHO

Are you?

WHAT

Do you do in your community?

HOW

Do you create positive change?

WHY

Do you need support?

HOW

Much do you need?

WHEN

do you need it?

ROLE OF A VOLUNTEER LEADER



ADVOCATE

Respected community leader and strong communicator



DONOR

A generous stakeholder who is personally philanthropic



PARTNER

Collaborative and passionate about the mission



CONNECTOR

Has access and is willing to make introductions to potential supporters



RESOURCE

Has an inspiring personal story

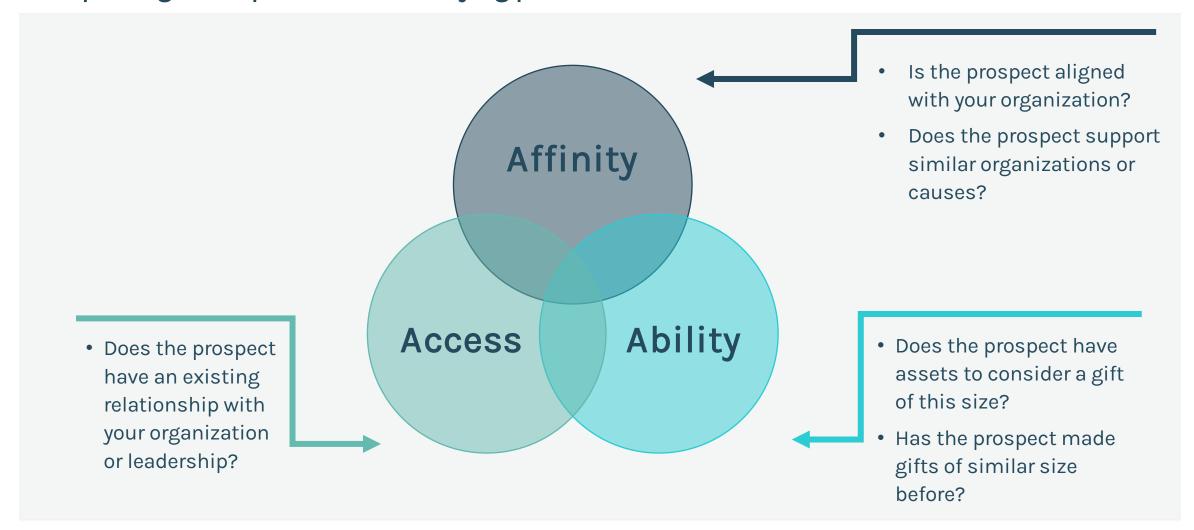


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Can commit time to maintaining relationships

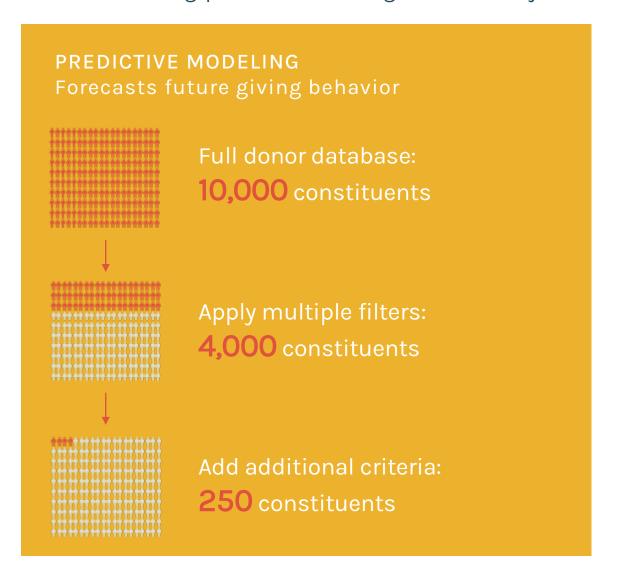
GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR PROSPECTING

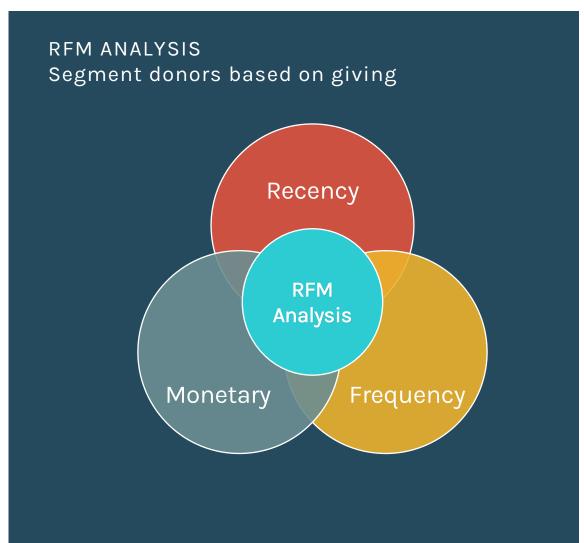
Prospecting is the process of identifying potential new donors



TOOLS FOR IDENTIFYING MG PROSPECTS

Wealth screening, predictive modeling and RFM analysis can help identify your best prospects





SAMPLE TIMELINE AND ACTIVITY TRACKER

Create a plan

- Personal goal
- Portfolio of prospects
- Available time

Set goals and benchmarks

- Activity goals
- Measurable and quantifiable
- Financial goals
 - Need and potential
 - Table of gifts

Determine timing and pace of activity

- Prospect readiness
- Solicitation dates

Regularly analyze progress and results - and adjust!

Donor Strategy Builder

| | Discovery | Cultivate | Brief | Ask |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------|-----|
| Action to be taken | | | | |
| The meeting setup | | | | |
| Who will be involved | | | | |
| Materials to be developed | | | | |
| Follow-up plan | | | | |
| Completion date | | | | |

CAMPAIGN READINESS GUIDING QUESTIONS

You should be able to answer these questions prior to starting a campaign.



What is the right goal for the campaign? How should the campaign be phased?



What core messages and priorities will inspire existing and new supporters?



How can your organization leverage current, and gain new, volunteer leadership to champion the case?



How robust is the pipeline of potential supporters? What is the profile of a top prospect?

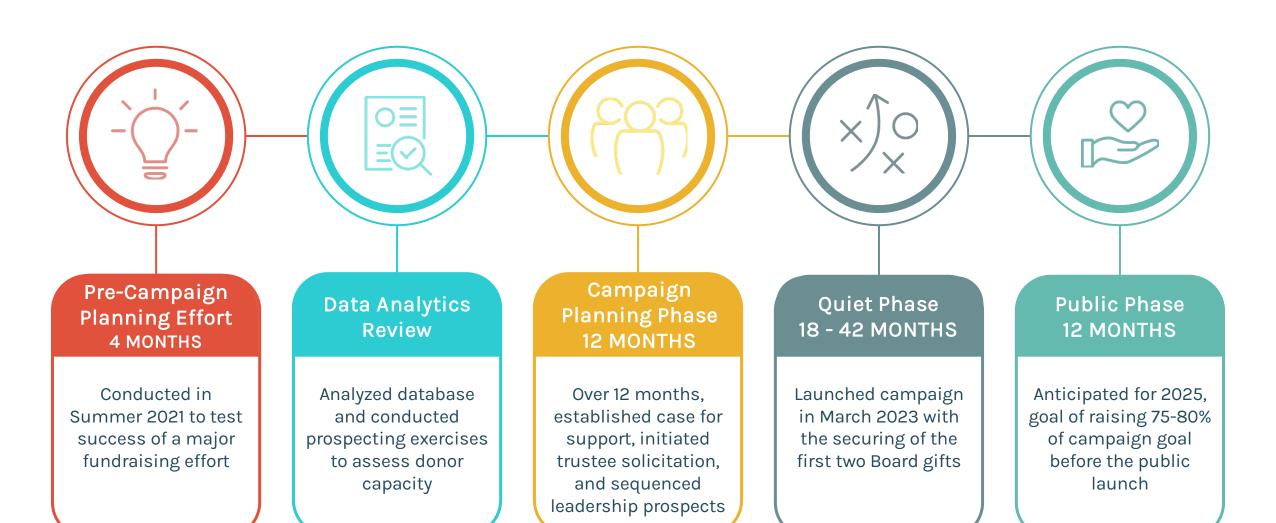


What resources and support will the organization need to accelerate its fundraising activity in a campaign setting?





SDMA CAMPAIGN TIMELINE



BUILDING A COMPELLING CASE

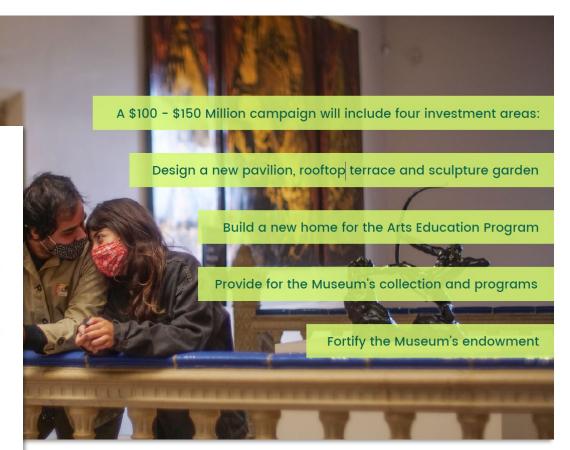


Our vision is to inspire, educate, and cultivate curiosity for the next century.

Now is the time to make a transformational investment in the Museum's facilities to ensure that we can continue to:

- Serve a diverse and growing community
- · Care for our collection
- Build modern technological and environmental infrastructure
- Ensure a stronger financial future for the Museum

This campaign makes the beginning of a new era to inspire, educate, and cultivate curiosity for the next 100 years.







Collect & process data

Vet and process data files containing constituent records.



Predictive modeling

Develop 2 customized predictive models, scoring constituents on a scale of 1-100 using demographic, giving, and interaction-based data.



Wealth assessment

Screen top households for estimated wealth and giving capacity.



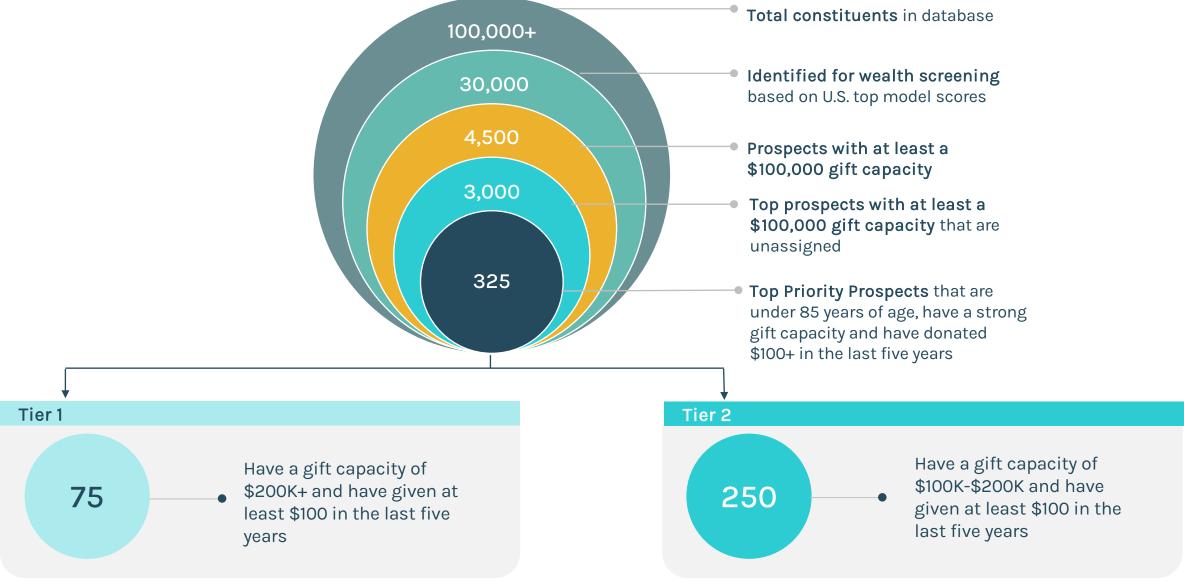
Assess results

Explore the results to identify, segment, and prioritize current and new households.



Segment and prioritize top households.

PROSPECT PRIORITIZATION



SOLICITATION READINESS

Working off the established fundraising plan, SDMA charted a timeline to become solicitation ready.

The chart is helping the team define goals and benchmarks, determine the pacing of activities, and report on progress.

| Solicitation Prep: March - May 2022 | | March | | | | April | | | | May | | | | | | |
|--|---|--------------------|------|------|-------|-------|------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-----|------|-------|-------|----------|
| TASK | | As of 3/17 | 28-4 | 7-11 | 14-18 | 21-25 | 28-1 | 4-8 | 11-15 | 18-22 | 25-29 | 2-6 | 9-13 | 16-20 | 23-27 | 30-3 |
| LEADERSHIP RECRUITMENT | Finalize Study Summary & Roxana Letter | COMPLETE | | | | | | l | | | | | | | | |
| Send Study Summary & Roxana Letter (email / mail) | | COMPLETE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Finalize "Listening Tour" Candidates / Early Conversations Li | | COMPLETE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Initiate Listening Tour / Early Conversations (Stacey / Lauren | | INPROCESS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Schedule Campaign Planning Committee Meetings | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Schedule Board Update / Retreat (Facilities?) | | NOT COMPLETE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hire Project Manager for Construction Side / Campaign | | COMPLETE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Confirm Campaign Planning Committee Members | | INPROCESS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Conduct solicitation training (internal) | | NOT COMPLETE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | i |
| MATERIALS PREP | Refine Frequently Asked Questions - Planning Phase | ONGOING | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ī |
| | Draft Talking Points - Planning Phase | COMPLETE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Draft Case for Support / Prospect Packet | ONGOING | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Draft "gifts of confidence" phase outline / campaign plan | INPROCESS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Draft proposal templates | NOT COMPLETE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Draft Foundation Letter of Intent template | NOT COMPLETE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Draft thank you letter templates | NOT COMPLETE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Draft meeting request letter | NOT COMPLETE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | · |
| | Draft prospect briefing template | NOT COMPLETE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Draft pledge form | NOT COMPLETE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Draft presentation/solicitation speaking points | NOT COMPLETE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| PROSPECTS | Review pre-campaign planning study interviews | COMPLETE / ONGOING | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | i — |
| | Review prospects identified through CCS analytics | COMPLETE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Ī |
| De Cc Cc Cc Cc Cc Cc Cc C | Develop and/or refine prospect tracking device | NOT COMPLETE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Compile self-identified prospects | COMPLETE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Compile prospects identified by others | INPROCESS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Compile foundation prospect list | INPROCESS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Compile corporate prospect list | INPROCESS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Compile master prospect list (prospect matrix) | INPROCESS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Research prospects | ONGOING | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Review Wealth Screening Results | ONGOING | | | | | | | | | | | | | | <u> </u> |
| | Conduct prospecting sessions with SDMA leadership | NOT COMPLETE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Prepare Prospect Briefings for top 10-15 prospects | NOT COMPLETE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| FULFILLMENT and REPORTING | FULFILLMENT and REPORTING Determine current gift process / gift acceptance policies | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Create campaign gift process / gift acceptance policies | NOT COMPLETE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Create Life of a Pledge flowchart with staff involvement | NOT COMPLETE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Create master prospect matrix to track activity and statistic | INPROCESS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Maintain and refine quarterly benchmarks | ONGOING | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SOLICITATION ACTIVITY | Briefings / Listening Tour | NOT COMPLETE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Schedule Solicitation 1 | NOT COMPLETE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Г |
| | Schedule Solicitation 2 | NOT COMPLETE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Schedule Solicitation 3 | NOT COMPLETE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Schedule Solicitation 4 | NOT COMPLETE | | | | | | İ | | | | | | | | |
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FACILITY TOURS AS CULTIVATION TOOL



Facility tours provided an opportunity to share more deeply about the museum's needs while getting prospective donors excited about the prospect of supporting the campaign.

LEVERAGING PIVOTAL MOMENTS IN EARLY PROJECT TIMELINE







Pre-Announcement Communications

Announcement of Project Architect

Architectural Design and Planning Process

PLANNING FOR UNIQUE CHALLENGES



SETTING A NEW PRECEDENT

Consider how a bold vision can encourage innovation and expand what is possible for your organization and community



ENGAGING A DIVERSE ARRAY OF STAKEHOLDERS

Consider the various needs and priorities of stakeholders

Carefully evaluate how and when to best share information with key constituents

Communicate transparently and openly



ADAPTING TO A CHANGING **LANDSCAPE**

Stay nimble in response to unanticipated changes

Adapt plans and find a path to keep momentum and continue moving forward







04 AUDIENCE DISCUSSION + Q&A

THANK YOU

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